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REMARKS

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Claims 1, 2, 23-24 and 26-29 are currently pending. Claims 1 and 2 are currently

amended. Support for this amendment may be found, for example, on page 47, lines 5-16

of the specification.

Claim Rejections and Allowances

Claims 1-2 and 23-24 were rejected under 35 USC §102(e) as being anticipated

by Mink, et al., US2004/0242808. Claims 1 and 23 were rejected under 35 USC §102(b)

as being anticipated by Chien, et al, *Macromolecules*, 30, 3447-3458 (1997). Claims 1

and 23 were rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by Lieber, et al,

Macromolecules, 33, 9192-9199 (2000). Claims 1 and 23 were rejected under 35 USC

§102(b) as being anticipated by Przybyla et al, Acta Polymerica, 50, 77-83 (1999). These

rejections are all respectfully traversed.

Claims 26-29 were indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form

including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claims 1 and 2 have been amended to include the catalyst structure as recited on

page 47, lines 5-16 of the specification. None of the cited references teach or fairly

suggest the use of this specific catalyst. The allowed claims 26-29 cite a catalyst

structure wherein R²⁰ has been narrowed by the definition of Ar². Applicants therefore

believe that the current set of claims is allowable and respectfully request that all

rejections be withdrawn.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, a Notice of Allowance for the remaining claims is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes it would be helpful, please contact the below signed Attorney at 979.238.7316.

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